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In re Application	:
Alamouti, et al.	:
Application No. 09/594,467	: DECISION ON APPLICATION
Filed: June 14, 2000	: FOR PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT
Atty Docket No. ATTW01-00047	:

This is a decision on the "REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT DETERMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.705(b)", filed February 16, 2005. Applicants request that the initial determination of patent term adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) be corrected from eight hundred thirty-one (831) days to one thousand, one hundred sixty-seven (1167) days.

The application for patent term adjustment is **GRANTED**.

The Office has updated the PAIR screen to reflect that the correct Patent Term Adjustment (PTA) determination at the time of the mailing of the Notice of Allowance is **one thousand, one hundred sixty-seven (1167) days**. A copy of the updated PAIR screen, showing the correct determination, is enclosed.

On November 17, 2005, the Office mailed the Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) in the above identified application. The Notice stated that the patent term adjustment (PTA) to date is eight hundred thirty-one (831) days.

On February 16, 2006, Applicants timely¹ submitted the instant application for patent term adjustment, asserting that the correct number of days of PTA at the time of the mailing of the Notice of Allowance is one thousand, one hundred sixty-seven (1167) days.

Applicants assert entitlement to a patent term adjustment of one thousand, one hundred sixty-seven (1167) days on the basis that the PTO improperly assessed Applicants a delay of one hundred sixty-nine (169) days for responding to a December 17, 2003 Office action on September 2, 2004. Applicants assert that they filed a complete response on March 18, 2004, and as such should only have been assessed delay of one (1) day.

Applicants state that the patent issuing from the application is not subject to a terminal disclaimer.

The Office initially determined a patent term adjustment of eight hundred thirty-one (831) days based on an adjustment for PTO delay of eight hundred fifty-five (855) days pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(A)(i) and 37 C.F.R. §1.703(a)(1) and one hundred fifty (150) days pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(A)(ii) and 37 C.F.R. §1.703(a)(2), reduced by Applicants' delays of one hundred sixty-nine (169) days and five (5) days pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(2)(C)(ii) and 37 C.F.R. §1.704(b). The adjustments of one hundred sixty-nine (169) days and one hundred fifty (150) days are at issue.

The adjustment of one hundred sixty-nine (169) days has been found to be incorrect. A review of the application file reveals that the Office mailed a non-final Office action on December 17, 2003. Applicants filed a response on March 18, 2004. As this was not timely pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(b), applicant delay of one (1) day should have been assessed, not one hundred sixty-nine (169) days.

In addition, as applicants filed their response on March 18, 2004, the Office should have been assessed additional delay for not mailing a reply until June 1, 2005. The Office should have been assessed delay PTO delay of three hundred eighteen (318) days, not one hundred fifty (150) days.

In view thereof, the correct determination of patent term

¹ Applicants filed the application for patent term adjustment together with the payment of the issue fee.

adjustment at the time of the mailing of the Notice of Allowance is **one thousand, one hundred sixty-seven (1167) days** (1173 (855+318) days of PTO delay, reduced by 6 (5+1) days of applicant delay).

Receipt of the \$200.00 fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.18(e) is acknowledged.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Patent Publications for processing into a patent.

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to Cliff Congo, Petitions Attorney, at (571)272-3207.



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PTA Calculations for Application: 09/594467

Application Filing Date:	06/14/2000	PTO Delay (PTO):	1005
Issue Date of Patent:		Three Years:	0
Pre-Issue Petitions:	0	Applicant Delay (APPL):	174
Post-Issue Petitions:	0	Total PTA (days):	1167
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